



**Service of Worship
World Communion Sunday
October 2, 2016
9:00 a.m.**

PASTORAL STAFF:

Gregory Knox Jones, Head of Staff
Sudie Niesen Thompson, Associate Pastor
Jill Getty, Pastoral Care Assistant
Tom Stout, Parish Associate

CHURCH EDUCATOR:

Susan Moseley

MUSIC STAFF

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music
Merideth Hite Estevez, Director of Music for Children and Youth
Section Leaders/Soloists: Diana Milburn, Sharon Babcock,
David Price, Travis Lucas

Westminster Presbyterian Church extends an enthusiastic welcome, in Christ's name, to all who worship here or join us in fellowship. Our church family seeks to embody God's boundless love by embracing, liberating and empowering people – whoever they are and wherever they may be on their faith journeys – to realize the transforming power of Christ in our congregation, community and the world beyond.

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An Earth Care Congregation of the PC (USA)

This Morning at Westminster

Deacon Team of the Month

Carol Neff, Tammy Daley, Teisha Fooks, Laura Holmes, Cathy Lang, Judy Stoffer

8:45 – 11:15 a.m. Nursery for babies and toddlers

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. Worship with communion in the Sanctuary

After TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN, if you wish, your children may leave the Sanctuary and go to:

- ❖ **Godly Care** – Children ages 2 – 4 experience simple worship rituals and learn key stories in the Bible. They respond through crafts, songs and prayers. Class meets in the **Preschool Suite Classroom A**.
- ❖ **Godly Play 1** – Children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade gather in the **main hallway and walk with their teachers to the Ruth Christie Room**. The children learn the language of God’s people through sacred space, stories, parables and liturgical actions. You may pick up your children in the **Preschool Suite Classroom C**.
- ❖ **Sing-to-Praise Choir Program** – Children in grades 3 through 6. Parents, please escort your child to the Youth Music Room for sign-in, just prior to the start of worship, and pick up your child from the Youth Music Room immediately following worship. Children will only be released to a parent or an adult pre-approved by the parent.

10:10 a.m.

Education for All Ages

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| ➤ Sunday School for Preschoolers | Preschool Suite |
| ➤ Joyful Noise Choir Program for K – 2 | Youth Music Room |
| ➤ Godly Play 2 for Grades 3 – 5 | Classroom 4 (Art Room) |
| ➤ Middle Schoolers for Grades 6 – 8 | Classroom 8 |
| ➤ Confirmation Class for Grades 9 and 10 | Classroom 7 |
| ➤ Adult Education Classes | See page 7 |

11:15 a.m.

Living Mosaics worship with communion in Rodney Chapel. Children are always welcome in worship.

11:15 a.m.

Flying Solo Brunch at Catherine Rooney’s

1616 Delaware Avenue

12:00 p.m.

Fellowship Time after Living Mosaics

Meeting Room

Later Today

4:00 p.m.

Concert: “Fleck&Strings”

Sanctuary

5:00 p.m.

180° Youth Dinner and Fellowship

Community Hall/Cl. 6

6:00 p.m.

Clean But Not Straight – NA

Club Room

7:00 p.m.

Caron Treatment Parent Support Group

Daughtry House Conf. Room

8:00 p.m.

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Club Room



Westminster is certified as an “Earth Care Congregation” by the Presbyterian Church (USA). This honor means that we have exhibited exceptional leadership in protecting God’s creation and being good stewards of earth’s resources through our worship, education, outreach and advocacy. Only 2% of the 10,000 Presbyterian congregations in this country have earned this honored distinction.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are from yesterday's memorial service for Charlie Depfer.

The rosebud next to the pulpit is in celebration of the birth of Scarlett Rae Ferry, born September 22, daughter of Natalie and Brian Ferry, and sister to Benjamin, and granddaughter to Beth and Wes Emmons. We welcome this child into the Westminster family.

Consider giving the flowers for Sunday worship to remember or honor loved ones or to celebrate an event, while expressing praise and thanksgiving to God. Please contact Linda Watson during business hours at 302-571-6719 or lwatson@ycst.com for dates available in October, November, and December.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ Those recently hospitalized: Judy Hoopes.
- ❖ Westminster's homebound family who can no longer attend worship with us, by sending a card, saying a prayer, or visiting. This week we ask you to remember Frank Pickering at The Summit, and Lucille and Gerry Greth at home.

Westminster's Covenant Prayer Group prays weekly for specific needs of the faith community. You may submit a prayer request by leaving a confidential message on 302-654-5848, ext. 335, or filling out a prayer request card (in the pew pocket) and placing it in the offering plate.

Afghanistan often seems far away, and we may neglect to realize that Americans, as well as Afghans and members of coalition forces continue to die. As Christians, we are called to pray for the spreading of peace and justice and an end to violence. If someone in your family is serving in the military, please let us know, so that we may include that person on our prayer list. Contact Colleen Falasco: 302-654-5214 ext. 131, or cfalasco@wpc.org.

This week we pray for

- Those known to the WPC Community presently serving in various locations:
 - Patrick Enderle, son of Mike Enderle
 - Brian Gorman, grandson of Art and Barbara Gorman
 - Jeremy Lushnat, nephew of Arch and Melody Layman
 - Sam Pittman, nephew of Roland and Mary Lu Pamm
- Those who have returned from service, possibly suffering from wounds or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may be deep and long-lasting.

~ FALL SERMON SERIES ~

The Story of Moses is the Story of Faith

Beginning **October 9**, Dr. Jones will preach a sermon series focusing on key elements of religious faith. For six Sundays in October and November, we will consider stories of Moses with an eye toward how they shape our thinking about: God's call, our response, doubt, faithful living, courage, freedom, guidance, and hope.

The six passages we will study are:

Exodus 3:1-10, Exodus 3:11-4:17, Exodus 5, Exodus 14:10-15:21, Exodus 32:1-14, Deuteronomy 34

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MUSIC OF THE TOWER BELLS

Craig Checkel

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

✠Prieres d'Ozawamick, (*Canadian Indian liturgical text*)

*You have come from afar
and waited long and are wearied:
let us sit side by side
sharing the same bread drawn from the same source
to quiet the same hunger that makes us weak.
Then standing together let us share the same spirit, the same thoughts
that once again draw us together in friendship and unity and peace.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the friendship folder to the person next to you.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Toccata

Alberto Ginastera (*Argentina*)

CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us to the feast!

**We come to eat the bread of heaven,
and drink from the cup of new life,
to taste and see that the Lord is good.**

God calls us to the feast!

**We gather with sisters and brothers around the world
to break bread and share one cup,
to celebrate our unity in Christ.**

God calls us to the feast!

Let us join the celebration. Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 36

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

AR HYD Y NOS (Wales)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

✠Unknown writer (*Philippines*)

**Lord, forgive us,
for we are fragmented persons.
We go many directions at once.
We seek opposite goals;
we serve contradictory causes.
We mouth liberation, we live oppression.
We shout peace, we practice violence.
We shout justice, we walk in injustice.
We preach love, we practice hate.**

**Through your compassion
have mercy on us and make us whole.
Enable us to discern your voice
among the dissonant voices.**

SILENT PRAYER

RESPONSE (Hymn No. 467)

JYOTHI DHO (India)

**Give us grace;
give us grace;
give us grace, O Lord.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Greg Jones

Children through Grade 2 may leave for Godly Care or Godly Play 1, or they may remain in worship.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Timothy 1:1-14

New Testament, page 187
Jen Barrington, Lay Reader

SERMON

“Grandma’s Table”

Sudie Niesen Thompson

OFFERING

“Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.” (Psalm 96:8)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“The Hour of Banquet and of Song”
(Text: Hymn #517)
Westminster Choir

text: Horatius Bonar (*Scotland*)
tune: Edward Dearle (*England*)
arr. by Howard Helvey (*United States*)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

**We come from north and south, east and west
to sit at table in the kingdom of God.**

Around the world the broken body is made whole.

Though many, we are one in Christ.

People of God – Come, take your place at the table.

We join hands and join hearts as we come to the table of grace.

*HYMN NO. 538

“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”

HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA
(*South Africa*)

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Eternal God . . .

LORD’S PRAYER (page 35 in our *Glory to God* hymnal)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Today we join the global Christian community in celebrating World Communion Sunday. As we come to the table, we remember our sisters and brothers who are breaking bread together in churches around the world, and we celebrate our oneness in Christ. The six breads we use for communion today – challah, chapati, naan, pita, rice crackers, and tortillas – remind us of the beautiful diversity of the body of Christ.

COMMUNION ANTHEMS

“Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord”
(*Je louerai l’Éternel*)

Claude Frayssé (*France*)

“Let’s Sing unto the Lord”
(*Cantemos al Señor*)

Carlos Rosas (*Mexico*)

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

✠by Dorothy McRae-McMahon (*Australia*)

**We thank you, gracious God,
that we are the guests at your table.
As we have been fed by your gifts of life,
so we will share with the world
all that you give to us in love. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 526

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

LINSTEAD (*Jamaica*)

BENEDICTION

✠Adapted from a blessing from the St. Asaph Mothers’ Union (*Wales*)

Lord of Light – **shine on us.**
Lord of Peace – **dwell in us.**
Lord of Might – **strengthen us.**
Lord of Love – **enfold us.**
Lord of Wisdom – **enlighten us.**
Send us out as your witnesses, in obedience to your command,
to share the good news of your love!

CHORAL POSTLUDE

“May the Love of the Lord”

Swee Hong Lim (*Singapore*)

GOING FORTH

*If you are visiting with us and wish to learn more about our church family,
we invite you to meet today’s ambassador, Marlys Kerr, following the service.
She is happy to share information about our many programs for children, youth and adults.*

✠ From *Prayers Encircling the World: An International Anthology* (Westminster John Knox Press, 1998).



Adult Education Classes This Morning

The Age of Great Dreams: A Look at the 1960s

Classroom 6

Presenters: Don Beddie, Dick May, and Tom Stout

Today, Tom Stout will take a quick look at the Civil Rights movement. Reading chapters 4 and 5 is background. Remember things like "Flower Power", Black Panthers, and Haight-Asbury. We will also view a video on the National Guard in Wilmington in 1968, "A Dream Deferred."

POLO: Parents of Little Ones

Classroom 5

Facilitator: Yvonne Nass

This series for parents of small children (birth through kindergarten) will cover the following:

Oct. 2 - Building a Strong Relationship with Effective Communication Skills –

We will cover how to listen and invite cooperation.

Ms. Nass is a certified Parent Educator and Consultant with over 35 years of professional experience.

History of the Bible

Today – May 14, 2017

Classroom 3

Facilitator: Bob Cox

Have you ever wondered where the Bible came from? Who wrote it? Why do some Christian Bibles have different books in them? Who decided which books would be included and how were they chosen? How has the Bible influenced technological changes? Join Bob Cox to explore these and other questions as we use video lectures, archeological discoveries, samples of key texts, and various classroom aids to follow the path of our sacred scriptures from pre-history to the digital age.

Membership Exploration Class

Today and October 16 in the Meeting Room (Upstairs)

Facilitated by Greg Jones

Are you interested in learning more about Westminster? Have you been considering membership? Please join us in the Meeting Room to explore Presbyterian values and life as a member of WPC. We look forward to sharing this time with you.

Music at Westminster

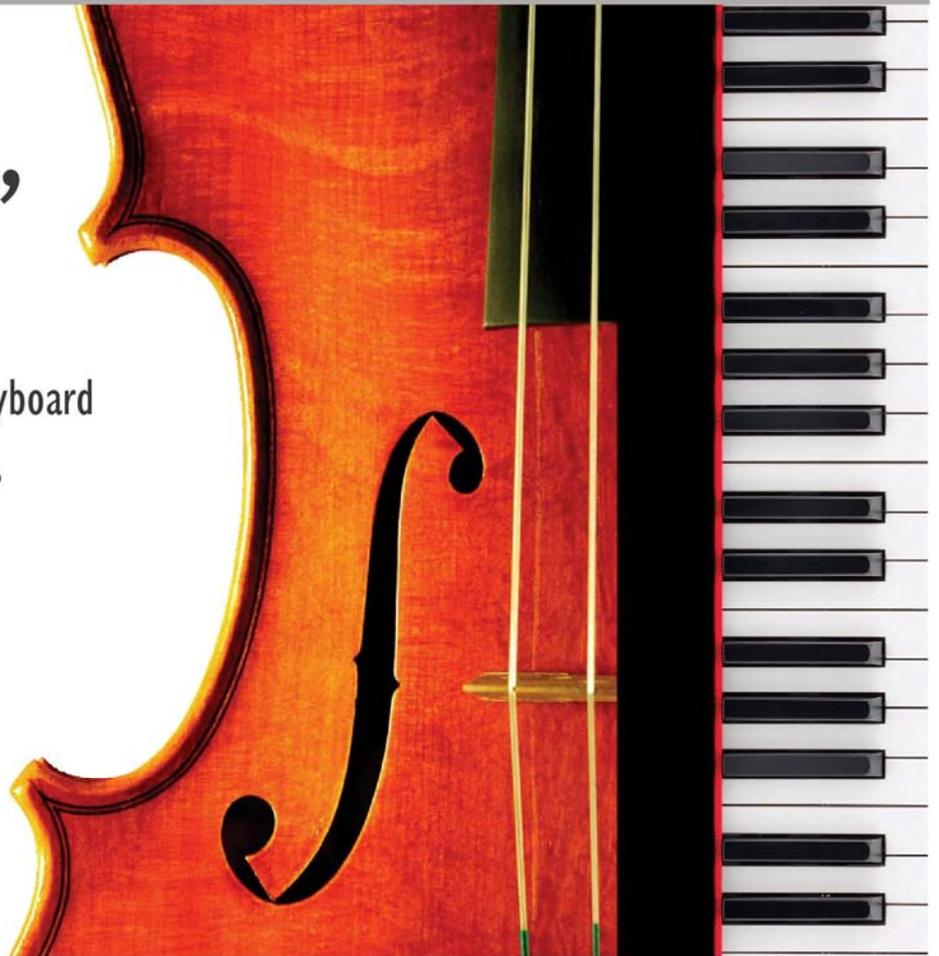


Presents

“Fleck&Strings”

A concert of music for strings and keyboard
by Mozart, Haydn, Dvorak, Schumann,
and Percy Grainger

Today at 4:00 p.m.



Luigi Mazzocchi, violin

Timothy Schwarz, violin & viola

Lawrence Stomberg, cello

Paul Fleckenstein, organ & piano



Free admission; offering received

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